



**IDEA School District and Planning Region Team (PRT) Determinations 2013-2014 –**

**Available on ILCD version 2.0 Site June 3.**

Contact: NDE Special Education Regional Representative (402-471-2471)

Instructions - <http://www.education.ne.gov/sped/data/Navigating%20Determinations.pdf>

**Districts and PRTs annual Special Education determination for both IDEA Part B and Part C have been released onto the secure ILCD version 2.0 website.** This year's determinations for both Part B and Part C can be accessed on the portal under the Data Collections tab.

It includes the summary report used to make the IDEA district Part B and PRT Part C determinations. Districts and Planning Region Teams receiving less than a "Meets Requirements" determination will be contacted by NDE Office of Special Education staff to discuss available technical assistance.



**Nebraska First Year Teacher Survey**

Contact: [NDE.Research@nebraska.gov](mailto:NDE.Research@nebraska.gov) or Sharon Katt (402-471-2405)

On Monday, June 1 a reminder email from [NDE.Research@nebraska.gov](mailto:NDE.Research@nebraska.gov) was sent to building principals to request completion of a 1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher Employer Survey. (The original request was sent May 18 from [Seth.Roy@nebraska.gov](mailto:Seth.Roy@nebraska.gov).) The brief survey is designed to get your input about the effectiveness of Nebraska teacher preparation programs as related to the preparation of new to the profession teachers (individuals in their 1<sup>st</sup> year of teaching on a regular certificate). This is the first year that the graduate follow-up was initiated by NDE rather than by individual institutions—allowing for consistent questions, format, and delivery timelines. Responses will be compiled by institution and returned to them to inform their continuous improvement efforts. Thank you for responses—they are IMPORTANT for enhancing the supply of effective teachers for Nebraska students!!



**NSSRS Student Instructions and NSSRS Data Manager Rules Updated**

Contact: Tammi Hicken - Early Childhood Program Office (402-471-3184 or [tammi.hicken@nebraska.gov](mailto:tammi.hicken@nebraska.gov))

The NSSRS Student Instructions and the NSSRS Data Manager documents have been updated on the NSSRS Resources web page at <http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Resources.html>. A change was made to the Programs Fact: Early Childhood instructions that allows the Program Participation Info Code of EC0005 to be submitted when submitting a Programs Code of ECHEADST.



**Year-End Special Education Snapshot Due: June 15**

Contact: Pam Kasl (402-471-4341 or [pam.kasl@nebraska.gov](mailto:pam.kasl@nebraska.gov))

District should begin entering data for the Year-End Special Education Snapshot. The snapshot is due by June 15 and should include all students with verified disabilities on an IEP or IFSP at any time during the 2014-15 school

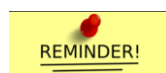
year with information current as of June 30. The audit window for correction of errors is June 16 – June 30. This data will be the source for the IDEA Special Education Exiter Report. Records from the October Sped Snapshot do not carry over to the Year-End Sped Snapshot. The Year-End Sped Snapshot should include all students from the October Sped Snapshot as well as any students that were verified during the school year. A new validation error (#562) has been written to trigger an error for any student who was reported in the October Snapshot but not reported (as either active or exited) in the June collection



### **NDE Portal Updates**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk ([nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov) or 888-285-0556)

The NDE Portal website will now require you to change your password every 90 days. You can manage your password and other account information on the “My Profile” tab.



### **NeSA-RMS Results**

Contact: Valorie Foy (402-471-2495 or [valorie.foy@nebraska.gov](mailto:valorie.foy@nebraska.gov))

The NeSA-RMS and NeSA-AA preliminary reports and results will be available to districts through eDIRECT on July 8, 2015. Districts will need to review their data and submit corrections to the NDE Assessment Office by July 29. Any corrections submitted during July including NeSA-W will be incorporated in the Final NeSA-W and NeSA-RMS reports along with the corrected data files provided through eDIRECT on August 19, 2015.



### **NCLB Non Qualified Verification Report**

Contact: Pat Madsen (402-471-4863 or [pat.madsen@nebraska.gov](mailto:pat.madsen@nebraska.gov))

**The NCLB Non Qualified Report is available once you have uploaded the Student Grades template.** The Report is located in NSSRS Validation/Verification Reports/Staff. This report is generated for NCLB-defined core academic areas using Student Grades data, teacher certification status, Elementary Education Curriculum and Instruction Assessment (EECIA), and HOUSSE approvals.

NCLB set forth the goal that teachers in core academic areas be 100% NCLB qualified. New-to-the-profession elementary and elementary special education teachers who are Nebraska graduates must pass the Praxis II EECIA in order to be NCLB Qualified. (A passing score on Praxis II test # 5017, 0011, or 5011 will be accepted.) Teachers prepared out of state may submit a form for Nebraska NCLB Qualified Teacher Status consideration: (<http://www.education.ne.gov/federalprograms/Documents/Title%20II/QualifiedTeachers/QualifiedTeachersOutState2007.pdf> ).

Teachers appearing as NCLB Not Qualified may need to complete a HOUSSE application. The HOUSSE form and instructions can be found at: <http://www.education.ne.gov/federalprograms/Title%20II.html>.

**HOUSSE applications received by June 22, 2015** will be reflected in the 2014-15 SOSR. After that date, the “Request to Submit Data Late or Make Data Changes” will need to be submitted.



### **SPED Discipline Information System Opened: May 1 – Due Date: June 16**

Contact: John Marcucci (402-595-1639 or [john.marcucci@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.marcucci@nebraska.gov))

*Report of Children with Disabilities Unilaterally Removed to an Interim Alternative Setting, or Suspended or Expelled* (Special Education Discipline Report) opened on **May 1**. The report is due **by June 16** and must be submitted by all **public and state operated schools**. It is collected on the NDE portal under the data collection tab. New directions as well as a new template for using the upload option have been posted on the site.



### **The following collections in the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC)**

**Opened: May 1 - Due Date: June 15**

#### **Annual Participation Report**

Title I Part A School-wide Projects and/or Targeted Assistance Schools; Title I Part A Funded Staff; Neglected/Delinquent; Homeless – Unaccompanied.

***Collection completed by Public – ESU's only report ESU staff on part 2 of this report. Due June 15***

For more information, contact Diane Stuehmer – [diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov](mailto:diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov)  
(402) 471-1740 or Beth Zillig – [beth.zillig@nebraska.gov](mailto:beth.zillig@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-2452

#### **Days In Session/Instructional Program Hours**

Days in session by grade.

Instructional program Hours –KG, Elem & Sec. Also included in this collection are Pre-K instructional hours for public district/system operated early childhood education programs by attendance site.

***Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated– Due June 15***

For more information on Days In Session, contact Jen Utemark [jen.utemark@nebraska.gov](mailto:jen.utemark@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-3323  
For information on Pre-Kindergarten, Tammi Hicken – [tammi.hicken@nebraska.gov](mailto:tammi.hicken@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-3184  
For information on Instructional Program Hours, Freida Lange – [freida.lange@nebraska.gov](mailto:freida.lange@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-2444

#### **ESU/District/System/School Information Report**

Collects demographic data for ESUs, Districts, Systems and Schools for the next school year.

***Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated, ESU and Interim – Due June 15***

For more information, contact Ginny Carter – [ginny.carter@nebraska.gov](mailto:ginny.carter@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-2369.

#### **Nonpublic High School Completer Report**

The Nonpublic Completer Report is for each nonpublic system that has the potential of serving students in grade 12.

***Collection completed by Nonpublic– Due June 15***

For more information, contact Jill Aurand – [jill.aurand@nebraska.gov](mailto:jill.aurand@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-3321

#### **Pupil Transportation Report**

Transportation/Bus Information.

***Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated, ESU– Due June 15***

For more information, contact Janice Eret – [Janice.eret@nebraska.gov](mailto:Janice.eret@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-2248

#### **Report of Suspensions/Expulsions**

Suspension/Expulsions (Including Firearm Expulsions).

***Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated – Due June 15***

For more information, contact Jill Aurand – [jill.aurand@nebraska.gov](mailto:jill.aurand@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-3321

#### **State of Schools Report**

Collects district and school information and Improvement Goals and Graduation Requirements.

***Collection completed by Public – Due June 15***

For more information, contact John Moon – [john.moon@nebraska.gov](mailto:john.moon@nebraska.gov) (402) 471-1685

## **HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK**

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

**All three ways get to the same place, so please only use one of the following options.**

**If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.**

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

**OR**

2. Email: [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

**OR**

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556

**Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.**

ALSO: If you have contacted the NDE Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

**THANK YOU!**

## **NDE Bulletin now available in RSS Feed**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or [nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov](mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov))

We have added an RSS feed that users can subscribe to. Don't forget that the current and past NDE Bulletins can always be found at <http://www.education.ne.gov/ndebulletins/index.html>. The RSS feature can be found at the above webpage in the upper right hand corner (orange icon). RSS feeds can be used with Outlook and a number of web-based feed readers. At this time we will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.

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